# <u>Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)</u> Breakfast in the Classroom Policy

The Food Service staff will deliver breakfast to the classroom at the scheduled delivery time. A roster sheet will also be provided for each classroom.

#### What is a Reimbursable Breakfast?

The lead teacher is responsible for monitoring that each student serves themselves a "reimbursable" breakfast.

- A reimbursable breakfast consists of at least 3 items, one of which MUST be a fruit (juice or whole fruit).
- Only breakfasts that meet the 3-item minimum will be reimbursed through the School Breakfast Program.
- "No Thank You" bites are acceptable as long as students are encouraged to take full servings.
- If you do not have enough of a certain item for the amount of students wanting breakfast, contact your Food Service staff immediately.

## **Counting Reimbursable Meals**

- Breakfast meals are provided for all students in the classroom as well as facilitating lead teachers.
- Check off student names after they have served themselves a complete, reimbursable meal.
- Proper serving utensils will be provided so students and teachers can eat together family style and share the same menu.
- All students should eat the same foods unless there is a documented allergy or special need for individualization.
- **Note:** It is important to count the meals at the Point of Service, which is when a student selects their meal, to ensure an accurate total. It is difficult to ensure an accurate total simply using attendance that day or counting after the meal service is over.

#### Student Involvement

- Encourage student participation with breakfast.
- Allow help with set-up, passing and clean-up during meal service.
- Teach students how to serve themselves each of the items needed for a healthy, reimbursable breakfast.
- Ask that students dispose of their trash in trash cans designated for that classroom.

#### **Leftover Food**

- Any student may decline to participate in the School Breakfast Program.
- Program regulations may differ regarding leftover foods please discuss with Food Service Staff.
- Any food items that need to be kept hot or cold must be returned to the Food Service staff after meal service.
- Perishable items may not be saved for consumption at a later time due to food safety and sanitation regulations.
- If you are seeing an excessive waste issue in your classroom, please contact the Food Service staff and they will work to provide appropriate amounts going forward.

### How to Count a Reimbursable Meal

- Rosters are prepared by the Food Service staff and will be provided daily.
- Put a check mark next to each student as they serve a reimbursable meal.
- Rosters will be collected after meal service by the Food Service staff.

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